

EXHIBIT H

session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days, and subject to reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local health emergency is terminated; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer and the Director of Environmental Health and Safety for the County of Sonoma hereby find that:

(a) The Sonoma Fire Complex has created certain hazardous waste conditions in the County in the form of contaminated debris from household hazardous waste/materials and structural debris resulting from the destruction of thousands of structures; and

(b) The hazardous waste debris poses a substantial present or potential hazard to human health and the environment unless immediately addressed and managed; and

(c) There is an imminent and proximate threat of infectious or communicable disease and/or non-communicable biologic agents due to accumulations of perishable foods and other organic materials that normally require refrigeration but have been left to spoil due to lack of electricity and also due to potential contamination or destruction of residential and commercial water supply in the burned areas; and

(d) The Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

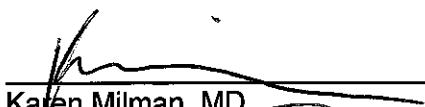
(e) These threats to public health necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local health emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED that a local health emergency now exists in the burned areas of the County, including those areas within the incorporated limits of several of the County's cities, due to hazardous waste in the form of contaminated debris from hazardous waste/materials and structural debris from the ongoing Sonoma Fire Complex and due to contamination of residential food and water supply; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the County Health Officer and the Director of Environmental Health and Safety shall be those prescribed by State law, including the provisions of Sections 101040 and 101085 of the Health and Safety Code, and by ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Sonoma in order to mitigate the effects of the local emergency.

THIS ORDER MAY BE SIGNED IN COUNTERPARTS.

SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED at _____ a.m. this 12th day of October, 2017.



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Sonoma County Health Officer



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October 12, 2017

Mark Ghilarducci, Director
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Dear Mr. Ghilarducci:

On Thursday, October 12, 2017, the Sonoma County Health Officer and the Sonoma County Director of Environmental Health and Safety jointly declared a local health emergency due to the potential health threats posed by the existence of multiple wildfires burning throughout the County (referred to hereafter as the "Sonoma Complex Fire"). A copy of the proclamation declaring the local health emergency is attached to this letter. The County lacks adequate resources to respond to the health threat posed by the Sonoma Fire Complex and requests that the State of California provide direct assistance to remove hazardous wastes and debris from property sites within the Sonoma Fire Complex burn areas that are toxic, flammable, corrosive, or reactive because of the imminent threat such waste poses to public health and safety.

Please accept this letter as Sonoma County's formal request for direct assistance from the State of California to remove hazardous wastes and debris from the property sites within the Sonoma Complex Fire areas.

Sincerely,

Sheryl Bratton
County Administrator

cc: Sean Smith, Cal OES
Caroline Judy, Director of General Services
Christine Sosko, Director of Environmental Health & Safety